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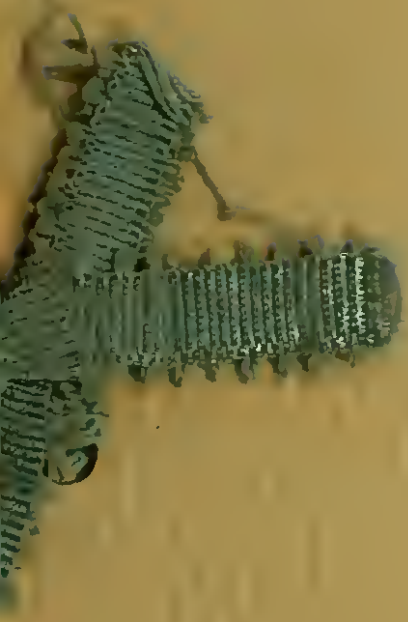

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WHERE'ER I may wander, where'er I may roam,
My thoughts still return to my happiest home;
Whene er I grow weary 't is there I would rest·
Sweet home of my childhood in memory blest!

Aweary of life and of toiling in vain,
I long for the days of my childhood again.
When life had a charm that forever has flown,
An innocent pleasure that now is unknown.

No friendship so faithful, unselfish, and true
'Tis that which fond memory brings to my view.
The friendship of childhood, that ever endears
The playmates and friends of my earliest years

But dearer far dearer to me as I roam,
Is memory's picture of mother at home:
And when I am weary I long but to rest,
Once more as a child, folded close to her breast.

What hand like a mother's can soothe or caress!
What lips like a mother's to kiss and to bless!
Then let the remembrance of childhood's sweet home
Be with me forever, though far I may roam.

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